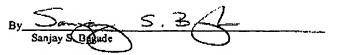
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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, for which a response was due on January 3, 2003. Applicant submits a request for 3 months extension to respond, thereby extending the date for a response to April 3, 2004. April 3, 2004 falls on a Saturday, thus the next business day is Monday, April 5, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

There are no amendments presented in this paper.

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